

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
JULY 20, 2009**

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Monday, July 20, 2009 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana pursuant to the call of the Mayor and notice given to the media.

Call to Order.

Presiding Officer Mayor William J. Schmitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in conjunction with the Utility Service Board regular monthly meeting for July.

Roll Call.

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Council members:	
John Schroeder	Absent
David Prectel	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. Six of the seven members were in attendance which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the special meeting.

Utility Service Board Chairman Alex Emmons had Secretary Rick Stradtner call the roll for its Board. [The Utility Service Board has a separate set of minutes].

Pledge. Mayor Schmitt then invited all those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Purpose. Mayor Schmitt said the purpose of the special meeting was for the Common Council along with the Utility Service Board to hear a presentation from Energy Systems Group {ESG} about a guaranteed energy savings contract.

Energy Systems Group. Mayor Schmitt said ESG performed an energy audit on the City departments and a feasibility study on the power plant. He then introduced Doug Tischbein with ESG and said Mr. Tischbein would explain the findings from the feasibility study.

Mr. Tischbein then gave a power point presentation that contained information such as; who is ESG, city facilities surveyed, possible improvements, converting

the power plant from coal to biomass, feasibility grade cash flow summary, financial proposal, and the process to proceed.

Utility Service Board Chairman Alex Emmons recommended the electric subcommittee meet and review the information that was presented. Mayor Schmitt agreed with Emmons' recommendation because this is the first time the Council and Utility Service Board are hearing this information. Schmitt also said anyone else is welcome to attend the electric subcommittee meeting.

Thereafter, a **motion** was made by Council member David Prechtel, seconded by Council member Kevin Manley, and approved 6-0 to assign this project to the electric subcommittee for further review.

It was decided to hold the electric subcommittee meeting on Friday, July 24, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Council, a **motion** was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to adjourn the special meeting. The motion carried 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The Utility Service Board meeting then proceeded.

The minutes were hereby approved ____ with X without corrections or clarification this 19th day of August, 2009.

Mayor William J. Schmitt
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer